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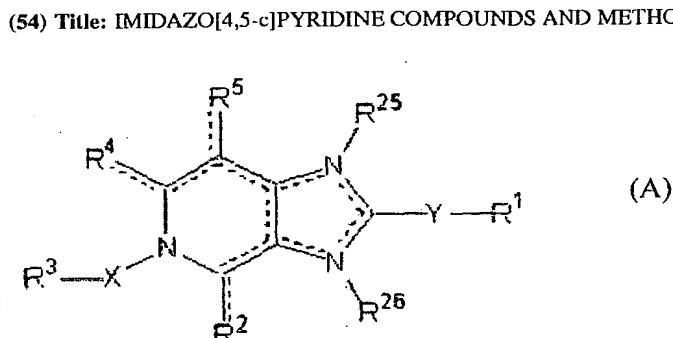
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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to phar-  
maceutical compositions for the treatment or preven-  
tion of viral infections comprising as an active principle  
at least one imidazo[4,5-c]pyridine prodrug having  
the general Formula (A) wherein the substituents are  
described in the specification. The invention also re-  
lates to processes for the preparation and screening of  
compounds according to the invention having above  
mentioned general Formula and their use in the treat-  
ment or prophylaxis of viral infections.

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